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of Multiple Roller Shades :

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6,201,364
6,497,267


The examiner is respectfully requested to review each of the above-identified references and make them of record in the instant application as required by M.P.E.P. §609. It is requested that the Examiner initial the enclosed duplicate substitute Form 1449, and return one copy to Applicant's undersigned representative.

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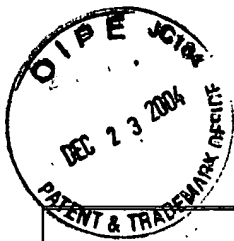
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